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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6534

INFO AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

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LIMDIS

CAPETOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR UNSC SF

SUBJ: SOUTH AFRICA IN SECURITY COUNCIL

1. PER HOWISON-BAKER TELECON, POL COUNSELOR TELEPHONED SOUTH AFRICAN PERMREP BOTHA OCT 18. HE TOLD BOTHA THAT SOUTH AFRICAN DECISION ON PARTICIPATION IN SC DEBATE WAS OF COURSE ITS OWN TO MAKE BUT THAT WE SAW NO REASON TO ATTEMPT TO DISSUADE SOUTH AFRICANS FROM PARTICIPATING.

2. BOTHA EXPRESSED WARM GRATITUDE FOR OUR COMMENT AND INDICATED HE NOW CLOSE TO FINAL DECISION TO PARTICIPATE. UNLESS ADVISED OTHERWISE BY SECRETARIAT, HE INTENDS SUBMIT LETTER REQUESTING PERMISSION TO PARTICIPATE ONLY AT LAST MINUTE.

3. BOTHA WENT ON TO SAY THAT SOME AFRICANS HAD STRONGLY URGED HIM TO PARTICIPATE AND TO STATE HIS CASE. HE HAD IN MIND SAYING "ONE OR TWO VERY RADICAL THINGS". IN PENSIVE TONES, BOTHA SAID HE THINKING OF SAYING TO  
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COUNCIL:

A) THERE IS RACIAL DISCRIMINATION IN SOUTH AFRICA;

B) SUCH DISCRIMINATION OBVIOUSLY CANNOT BE DEFENDED;  
AND

C) IT SHOULD BE ELIMINATED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

COMMENT: BOTHA HAS BROAD DISCRETION TO SET HIS OWN COURSE  
AND CLEARLY FINDS BOTH POLITICAL AND MORAL RESPONSIBILITY  
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